

ABSTRACT

The invention relates to a dispensing device of portable terminals for acquiring product data in a shopping centre. The dispensing device consists of a single container comprising a plurality of static cradles for a corresponding plurality of portable terminals adapted to be withdrawn and used by the customers of a shopping centre for acquiring product data, means for identifying each customer enabled to the use of the portable terminals, means for communicating to each identified customer a terminal to be withdrawn for carrying out the product data acquisition, and a control and data processing unit adapted to control the above customer identification and communication means and to process the product data acquired through said terminals. The plurality of cradles is housed into a substantially flat portion of the container provided in close proximity of the customer identification means so as to allow them to immediately and easily access to said plurality of terminals.

(Fig. 1)